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RURAL DISTRICT OF KINGSCLERE AND WHITCHURCH
PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

October, 1961.

To the Chairman and Members
of the Kingsclere and Whitchurch Rural District Council:

Mr. Chairman, My Lady, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my Annual Report on the health and sanitary circumstances of the District for the year 1960.

The Registrar General's estimate of the mid-year population of the District is 21,680, an increase of 190 over 1959. The natural increase of population, i.e. the net gain of births over deaths was 235.

The vital statistics do not differ significantly from previous years, and compare favourably with the National figures for England and Wales.

The incidence of infectious diseases was again low, and no serious notifiable diseases were reported.

Following Sir Arton Wilson's interesting report on "Caravans as Homes" which was published in 1959, the Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960, was enacted, and welcomed by most Local Authorities for giving them more control over conditions both in the caravans themselves and on the sites. There is little doubt that in time the Act will eventually lead to improved conditions for the majority of caravan dwellers, although overcrowding of individual caravans is sure to occur until the supply of permanent houses catches up with the demand, and most caravans make most unsuitable accommodation for young children.

Caravan sites do not appear to receive a high degree of priority from the Planning Authority, and as a result in many cases planning permission for a limited time only is given. In such cases it is difficult for the Council to insist on large capital expenditure by the site operator, in order to comply with the site conditions which are required under Section 5 of the Act, in the interests of the health of the occupants of the caravans.

During the year, the Slum Clearance programme continued steadily, and in addition the housing situation in the District was greatly helped by the large number of improvement grants, both discretionary and standard, made by the Council to the owners of sub-standard properties and also by the substantial amount of building of houses during the year by the Council itself, and also by private enterprise.

Once again, I have to thank the Chief Public Health Inspector for his report on the sanitary circumstances of the District, also all the staff of the Public Health Department for their continued assistance during the year - especially my secretary, Miss M. B. Lowman.

I should also like to thank the Chairman and Members of the Council for their co-operation and encouragement.

I remain, Mr. Chairman,

My Lady, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

H. C. Howard

Medical Officer of Health.

General Statistics

Area (in acres)	77,394	(77,394)
Registrar General's estimate of mid-year population	21,680	(21,490)
Number of inhabited houses	6,984	(6,815)
Rateable Value	£234,753	(£226,157)
Sum represented by penny rate	£939.5s.9d	(£903.8s.1d)

The population trend of Kingsclere and Whitchurch Rural District is as follows:-

1952	18,880	1956	19,350
1953	19,130	1957	20,390
1954	19,000	1958	21,230
1955	19,180	1959	21,490
		1960	21,680

Vital Statistics

Births

		Male	Female
Total Live Births	427	218	209
Legitimate Live Births	404	206	198
Illegitimate Live Births	23	12	11
Still Births	10	5	5

Birth Rates

	Kingsclere & Whitchurch Rural District	England & Wales
Live Birth Rate	19.7	17.1
Comparability Factor	1.04	
Corrected Birth Rate	20.5	
Still Birth Rate	22.9	19.8
Illegitimate Birth Rate	5.4 per cent.	

Deaths (All Causes)

		Male	Female
Total	192	110	82
Infant Deaths	10	5	5
Neonatal Deaths	7	3	4
Early Neonatal Deaths	6	3	3
Maternal Deaths	0		

Death Rates

	Kingsclere & Whitchurch Rural District	England & Wales
All Causes	8.9	11.5
Comparability Factor	0.98	
Corrected Rate	8.7	
Maternal Mortality Rate per 1000 total births	Nil	

Infant Mortality

	Kingsclere & Whitchurch Rural District	England & Wales
Total Infant Mortality Rate	23.4	21.9
Legitimate Mortality Rate	24.7	
Illegitimate Mortality Rate	Nil	

Neonatal Mortality

	Kingsclere & Whitchurch Rural District	England & Wales
Neonatal Mortality Rate	16.4	15.6
Perinatal Mortality Rate	36.6	32.9
Early Neonatal Mortality Rate	14.1	

(The Birth and Death Rates are calculated per 1000 of the population.
The Infantile and Neonatal Mortality Rates are calculated per 1000 live births.
The Still Birth and Perinatal Mortality Rates are calculated per 1000 total births, live and still.
The Illegitimate Birth Rate is calculated as a percentage of total live births.)

Vital Statistics

Births

(a') Live Birth Rate

Live births registered during 1960 amounted to 427, 218 boys and 209 girls. The live Birth Rate, corrected for age and sex distribution by the Registrar-General's comparability factor was 20.5 per thousand population. The rate for Englandand Wales in 1960 was 17.1 per thousand.

(b) Still Birth Rate

The number of still-births was 10, giving a still birth rate of 22.9 per thousand total births (live and still). The figure for England and Wales was 19.8 per thousand total births (live and still).

(c) Deaths

The total number of deaths registered during the year was 192, 110 males and 82 females.

This gives a local death rate, corrected by the Registrar-General's comparability factor for age and sex distribution of 8.7 per thousand population. This again compares favourably with the rate for England and Wales of 11.5 per thousand.

The chief causes of death were proportionately:-

1. Diseases of the heart and circulatory system - 70 deaths (36.5%).
 of which 23 de ths were due to coronary artery disease.
2. Cancers of various types accounted for 40 deaths (20.8%) of which
 3 deaths, 2 men and 1 woman were due to cancer of the lung and bronchus.

During the year, the preliminary report of a study of the Patterns of Cancer Mortality in 57 areas in the Wessex and South-West Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board Areas by Nash and Payne was published.

The results show that in the Kingsclere and Whitchurch Rural District the cancer mortality for both sexes together and separately at all ages show statistically significantly low rates. The other districts showing significantly low rates in the area were Basingstoke Municipal Borough, Guildford Rural District, Epsom and Ewell Municipal Borough, Banstead Urban District, Newport (Isle of Wight) Municipal Borough.

3. Apoplexies or vascular lesions of the central nervous system accounted for 21 deaths (10.9%).

4. Respiratory diseases accounted for 10 deaths (5.3%).

In addition, there was 1 death from influenza, and 10 cases of accidental death, of which 2 were associated with motor vehicles.

No deaths resulted from the infectious diseases of childhood.

Infantile, Neonatal and Early Neonatal Mortality

Ten deaths of infants under one year were recorded in 1960, giving an infantile mortality rate of 23.4 per thousand live births.

Perinatal Mortality Rate

The perinatal mortality rate which is the sum of the still births and the early neonatal deaths per thousand births (live and still), stands at 36.6 per cent compared with 32.9 per cent for England and Wales.

Infectious and Allied Diseases

The incidence of infectious disease was again low in 1960, and the following notifications were received during the year, the age and sex distribution being shown in tabular form in Appendix 'B'.

Measles - 42

Food Poisoning - 18

There were 2 incidents of food poisoning, one of which in a factory canteen at Overton, was confirmed as being due to infection with Staphylococcal toxin, and in which 9 of the 18 cases were involved.

The other 9 cases, notified as suspected food poisoning, but never confirmed, occurred in a family incident in St. Mary Bourne. The symptoms were suggestive of another Staphylococcal infection, and all patients recovered rapidly. Unfortunately in this case it was not possible to pin down the source of infection, but in the first incident the infection was found to be due to ham which had been cooked by a canteen cook who had infected ulcers on his legs.

Scarlet Fever - 6

Whooping Cough - 5

Dysentery - 3 cases of Sonne dysentery were notified - two in school boys at a residential school, and one in a lady staying at a hotel.

Erysipelas - 2

Puerperal Pyrexia - 1

Tuberculosis - 7 new cases were notified during the year, 2 male and 5 female. All the cases were respiratory.

Immunisation and Vaccination

Anterior Poliomyelitis

During 1960, the Minister of Health decided to extend the poliomyelitis vaccination scheme to include all persons up to the age of 40 years, except for some priority groups where vaccination was offered free up to any age.

On the whole, the response in the District was fairly good, though not so good as in the younger age groups in 1959.

The total numbers vaccinated during the year were:-

Children Under 15		Young Adults(16-25)		Adults(26-40)	
2nd Injections	3rd Injections	2nd Injections	3rd Injections	2nd Injections	3rd Injections
394	1930	197	996	811	214

There is little doubt that poliomyelitis vaccination has influenced the incidence rate of the disease because the national incidence in 1960 was the lowest for 15 years.

Unfortunately, the protection given by the killed vaccine is by no means permanent, and it seems that booster doses will be required at definite intervals if the disease is to be kept under control. During the year, trials were made of the attenuated living vaccine which is given orally instead of by injection, and there is little doubt that this will one day be the accepted method of producing immunity, as the effects are probably more permanent.

Diphtheria, Whooping Cough and Tetanus

Immunisation against these three infections was continued using the very popular triple antigen most frequently, although separate antigens were sometimes employed in a few instances against diphtheria and whooping cough either separately or together.

During the autumn months, the Primary Schools were visited and booster doses given to those children whose parents consented, and who had entered the schools during the previous twelve months.

During the past few years occasional outbreaks of diphtheria seem to be on the increase, and there is little doubt that the acceptance rate of this immunisation has tended to drop throughout the country. If the disease is to be kept under control it is of vital importance that not less than 70 per cent. of children should be fully protected both in infancy and during the years at school.

The numbers of immunisations done in the Rural District are set out in the Table in Appendix 'C'.

Vaccination Against Smallpox

The County Medical Officer informs me that 202 infants under 1 year were vaccinated during the year. This represents 49,6 of the total number of babies born during the year, as compared with 67.5 in 1959.

National Assistance Act, 1948 - Section 47.

No formal action was taken under this Section during the year.

Administration of Health Services
National Health Service Act, 1946.

The administration of these devolved services is carried out by the Andover and Kingsclere District Health Sub-Committee of the County Council. The County Council is the Local Health Authority, but the District Health Sub-Committee has at its disposal a considerable amount of information and knowledge of the local districts and an important, if not spectacular side of the work, is the appointment of district nurses and midwives.

Meetings are held at Andover and Kingsclere in 8 months of each year.

Reports are submitted on infectious diseases, births and deaths, inspection of nurseries, immunisation and vaccination, midwifery and maternity services, home help services, nursing accommodation, and matters of health importance, in which the three districts have a common interest.

Each District Council in addition to three nominated Councillors, appoints two co-opted members, who usually represent a voluntary organisation such as the W.V.S., the Red Cross or St. John's Ambulance Brigade, and in this way valuable assistance is obtained.

During the year, much interest was taken in a pilot scheme for a Meals on Wheels Service for old people in the Highclere and Woolton Hill area, and the Sub-Committee is hoping that it may be possible to extend this service to cover the whole area in due course. This service is of great value in preventing malnutrition in elderly people living alone and in many cases enables them to retain their independence in their own homes, thereby reducing the demand on the County Welfare Department for institutional care.

Report of Chief Public Health Inspector

In the pages that follow, the wide field of environmental hygiene is reported on and discussed in detail by the Chief Public Health Inspector.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTIONS

Premises inspected under the Public Health Acts	350
Houses inspected under the Housing Acts	473
Inspection of houses for Improvement Grants	606
Complaints investigated	14
Interviews with owners	7
Inspections of Factories	21
Inspections in connection with Infectious Disease	21
Inspections in connection with food poisoning	10
Premises disinfested	49
Inspections of moveable dwellings	186
Inspections in connection with Petroleum Acts	24
Inspections of Restaurant Kitchens	23
Inspections of Preserved Food Premises	14
Inspections of Food Stores	130
Inspections under the Shop Acts	13
Inspections of Butchers Shops	48
Inspections of Ice Cream Premises	17
Inspections of Bakehouses	18
Inspections of Fried Fish Shops	23
Inspections of Dairies	6
Milk Samples	14
Milk Bottle Samples	34
Other Food Samples	18
Inspections of Knackers Yards	41
Inspections of Private Slaughterhouses	52
Inspections of premises under Building Byelaws	1,908
Drain Testing	172
Inspections of Sewage Works	83
Water Inspections, Meters, etc.	2,039
Miscellaneous Inspections	556
Inspections in connection with dangerous buildings	8
Inspections under the Pests Act, 1949.	5,060
	12, 038

Housing

Number of routine inspections (Housing Act, 1957)	-473
Number of houses inspected under the Public Health Act, 1936	-350
Number of houses considered unfit for human habitation	- 49
Number of houses in which defects remedied due to informal action	- 12
Number of representations made to the Local Authority with a view to	
(a) the serving of notices requiring the execution of works	- Nil
(b) the making of Demolition or Closing Orders	- 49
Number of notices served requiring the execution of works	- 9
Number of houses rendered fit after the service of Formal Notices	- 2
Number of Demolition or Closing Orders made	- 21
Number of houses in respect of which an undertaking was accepted under Sub-Section 3 of Section 16 of the Housing Act 1957	- 28
Number of houses demolished	- 12

Private Building

105 houses were constructed by private enterprise in 1960 and are situated in the following parishes:-

Highclere	-	1
Kingsclere	-	14
Overton	-	4
Tadley	-	50
Whitchurch	-	3
Baughurst	-	6
East Woodhay	-	12
Newtown	-	1
St. Mary Bourne	-	5
Burghclere	-	6
Ecchinswell	-	1
Ashmansworth	-	2
Laverstoke	-	Nil
Total	-	105

Plans Submitted for Approval

(1) Number of plans submitted for the erection of new houses	125
(2) Number of houses proposed on these plans	383
(3) Number of plans submitted for the alterations, extension, or modification of existing buildings	336
(4) Total number of plans submitted	461
(5) Number of plans approved (Byelaws only)	457
(6) Number of plans refused (Byelaws only)	4
(7) Number of plans withdrawn (Byelaws only)	3
(8) Number of plans not subject to Building Byelaw consent	-

One of the plans submitted was for the erection of a new church at Tadley.

Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1958 - Improvement Grants

Applications for Improvement Grants were received in respect of 85 properties. Of this number, one was refused as the work was commenced before the application was considered. The remainder were approved, the amount of grant involved being £23,752, 16s. 7d.

I have set out below the parishes in which these properties are situated together with the amount of the grant approved:-

Ashmansworth	- 1	£400.	0s.	0d.
Baughurst	- 4	£1,122.	6s.	0d.
Burghclere	- 7	£2,204.	14s.	7d.
East Woodhay	- 10	£2,351.	2s.	8d.
Ecchinswell and Sydmonton	- 16	£3,845.	5s.	6d.
Hurstbourne Priors	- 2	£790.	16s.	0d.
Kingsclere	- 14	£3,867.	16s.	7d.
Newtown	- 5	£2,102.	0s.	0d.
Overton	- 2	£286.	11s.	10d.
St. Mary Bourne	- 4	£1,296.	15s.	6d.
Tadley	- 7	£2,350.	1s.	1d.
Whitchurch	- 13	£3,135.	6s.	10d.

It is interesting to note that 38 of the properties were owner/occupied whilst the remaining 47 were tenanted. 12 of the properties were category 5 in the original Hobhouse Survey whilst 54 of them were category 3. By way of these grants, a gre t deal of work is being carried out to modernise properties in the district which although structurally sound were considered to be unfit for habitation, and which were at one time being considered for slum clearance.

Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1958.

Loans to purchase new and existing houses

The Council approved 34 applications for loans to purchase houses. Of these 34 applications, 17 were for new dwellings, the sum loaned being £30,388. 0s. 0d. and 17 were for existing dwellings involving loans of £22,491. 15s. 0d. The total amount loaned was £52,879. 15s. 0d.

Housing Progress (1.4.60. - 31.3.61.)

The Council now own and control 1,239 dwellings.

33 new dwellings were completed during the year as follows:-

Houses	Bungalows	Flats	Total
20	8	5	33

The 5 Ex Agricultural hostel hutments at Kingsclere have been demolished.

Re-Housing During the Year

Vacancies in pre-1945 dwellings	9
Vacancies in post-1945 dwellings	28
New building allocations	36
Transfers (16 = 21 reshuffles)	37
Exchanges	6
Total	116

Moveable Dwellings (Public Health Act, 1936, Section 269)

Caravan sites in respect of which remained licenced under this legislation numbered 9 and one further site for 3 caravans was licenced during the year.

The sites were situated as follows:-

Ecchinswell & Sydmonton		Licensed for 2 caravans.
Kingsclere (Headley)	1.	Licensed for 12 caravans.
	2.	Licensed for 3 caravans.
Overton		Licensed for 20 caravans.
St. Mary Bourne (Picket Piece)		Licensed for 12 caravans.
Tadley	1.	Licensed for 61 caravans.
	2.	Licensed for 5 caravans.
	3.	Licensed for 2 caravans.
	4.	Licensed for 3 caravans.
Whitchurch		Licensed for 12 caravans.
Total		132

During the year, permission was given for the siting of individual caravans as follows:-

Area	No. Licensed	No. Removed	Remaining at End of Year
Baughurst	3	-	3
Burghclere	1	1	-
East Woodhay	5	2	3
Highclere	1	1	-
Kingsclere	14	2	12
Newtown	1	-	1
Overton	2	-	2
St. Mary Bourne	2	1	1
Tadley	7	1	6
Whitchurch	3	1	2
	39	9	30

Total of licensed caravans in the area at the end of 1960 - 162.

FOOD SUPPLIES

Milk

The standards of cleanliness and hygiene have been maintained. The number of dairies has continued to decline and there remains only 2 small bottling plants in use in the district, one at Kingsclere and the other at East Woodhay. Licences were issued to the following dealers under Milk and Dairies legislation:-

Milk (Special Designation)(Pasteurised & Sterilised Milk) Regulations, 1949/53.

W.C. Trice, Ball Hill.
Basingstoke Co-operative Society Limited, Tadley.
E. Nightingale, Moores Farm, Overton.
Andover Co-operative Society Limited, Whitchurch.
G. H. R. Nunn, Kingsclere.
J. J. Thorn, Test Vale Dairy, Whitchurch.
J. Mullan, Bungalow Stores, Heath End, Baughurst.
W. Horne & Sons, 31, Winchester Street, Whitchurch.
Swinford & Crowe, 30, Winchester Street, Overton.
H. A. Job, 4, Mulfords Hill, Tadley.
H. A. Job, Depot, Tadley.
Mrs. E. Lyons, 3, Greyhound Lane, Overton.
R. Smithers, Ashford Hill Post Office, Ashford Hill.

Supplementary

Andover Co-operative Society Limited, Andover.
H. F. Davis, Tudor Dairies, Ashe Park, Overton.
Hampshire Dairies, 4, Vyne Road, Basingstoke.
S. R. Meier, Down Grange Dairy, Roman Road, Worting.
Andover Creameries Limited, 52, Charlton Road, Andover.
A. H. Jenkins, Coldlands Farm, Newtown.
Newbury Creameries Limited, Bartholomew Street, Newbury.
Lovells Dairy, 47, High Street, Andover.

Milk(Special Designation)(Raw Milk) Regulations, 1949/54.

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E. Nightingale, Moores Farm, Overton.
J. J. Thorn, Test Vale Dairy, Whitchurch.
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Samples of Milk and Milk Containers

27 samples of milk were taken during the year, together with 30 samples of milk containers.

One routine sample and 3 special samples taken from one farmers milk, at the dairy, failed the Methylene Blue test. The matter was brought to the attention of the Milk Production Officer at Winchester, because the evidence pointed to dirt in the milk being the probable reason for failure.

Further samples taken from this source proved to be satisfactory.

This one case involved a very small amount of the total milk sold in the district, and therefore does not detract from the continued high standard of cleanliness in our milk supplies. The case does prove, however, the need for regular sampling of milk.

Milk Containers

Except for a single case, which occurred during change over of bottle washing machines, all samples of milk containers proved to be quite satisfactory.

The results of tests were as follows:-

Satisfactory - 600	Fairly Satisfactory 600 - 2000	Unsatisfactory 2000 +	Total
28	1	1	30

No. of Bottles showing no count - 6.

Maximum Count Received-Uncountable

Average mean count per bottle-230

Slaughter of Animals (Amendment) Act, 1954.

The following animals were inspected during the year:-

Bullocks	-	105
Heifers	-	11
Calves	-	3
Swine	-	45
Sheep	-	73
Lambs	-	117
	Total	354

Slaughtermen

Licences were issued to 9 persons residing within the district during the year.

Carcases and Offal Inspected and Condemned in Whole or in Parts

	Cattle Excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed (if known)	116	-	3	190	45	-
Number inspected	116	-	3	190	45	-
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci	-	-	-	-	-	-
Whole carcases condemned	-	-	-	2	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	14	-	-	-	-	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with diseases other than tuberculosis and cysticerci	16.24%	-	-	3.8%	-	-
Tuberculosis only Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cysticercus only Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-

180 lbs. of meat and 185 lbs. of offal were condemned during the year.

The following diseased conditions were encountered and the number of cases of each are stated:-

Abscesses	-	5
Actino	-	1
Bruising	-	1
Distomatosis	-	4
Engorged	-	1
Miscarriage	-	2
Pericarditis	-	2
Peritonitis	-	2

The total weight of unsound meat condemned during the period was:-

3 cwts. 1 qr. 1 lb.

Food and Drugs Act, 1955, Section 16.

There are 81 premises registered for the sale of pre-packed ice-cream and their distribution is as follows:-

Ashmansworth	1	Kingsclere	14
Baughurst	7	Newtown	1
Burghclere	3	Overton	10
East Woodhay	8	St. Mary Bourne	5
Ecchinswell	3	Tadley	11
Highclere	2	Whitchurch	16

These figures show an increase of 1 registration during the year.

Condemnation of Diseased or Unsound Foodstuffs

The number of routine visits paid to food premises during the year was 272, and as a result of these inspections the following foodstuffs were condemned:-

Tinned Meat	-	101 lb. 2½ ozs.	Vegetables	-	3 lb.
Fresh Meat	-	114 lb.	Fish	-	12 ozs.
Fruit	-	28 lb. 13 ozs.	Other Foodstuffs	-	12 lb. 11 ozs.
Total condemned	-	2 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lbs. 10½ ozs.			

Food Premises Within the District

Parish	Knacker's Yard	Butchers Shops	Bake-houses	Fried Fish Shops	Sausage Manufac-turers	Grocers & Green-Grocers	Cafes & Restaurant Kitchens	Public Houses
Ashmansworth	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Baughurst	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	5
Burghclere	-	-	1	-	-	3	1	3
East Woodhay	-	-	1	-	-	5	-	4
Ecchinswell & Sydmonton	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	1
Hurstbourne Priors	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
Kingsclere	-	2	3	-	1	13	5	7
Laverstoke	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
Litchfield & Woodcott	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Newtown	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
Overton	-	3	-	1	3	10	4	5
St. Mary Bourne	1	1	-	-	1	6	1	5
Tadley	-	3	-	1	1	13	2	4
Whitchurch	-	5	2	1	5	17	3	11
Totals	1	14	7	3	11	81	23	50

Water Supplies

Parish	Satisfactory			Unsatisfactory			Totals
	Private	Public	Council Houses	Private	Public	Council Houses	
Ashmansworth	-	1	1	-	-	-	2
Baughurst	2	-	-	-	-	-	2
Burghclere	3	-	-	11	-	-	14
East Woodhay	1	5	-	2	-	-	8
Highclere	-	3	-	-	-	-	3
Kingsclere	-	12	-	-	4	-	16
Overton	-	10	-	-	-	-	10
St. Mary Bourne	-	-	3	-	-	-	3
Tadley	-	-	-	2	-	-	2
Whitchurch	-	7	-	-	-	-	7
Totals	6	38	4	15	4	-	67

The four unsatisfactory samples from public mains were taken from new mains which were later cleansed, retested and proved to be free from contamination.

When the report showed that a private supply was unsatisfactory, both owner and occupier were informed. In some instances the properties have been connected to the Council's mains.

Public Water Supplies

There are three major pumping stations in the Rural District, situated at Kingsclere, Overton and Whitchurch. The total number of gallons pumped during the year was 277,050,000.

The small pumping station at Ashmansworth has been closed down; the area is now being fed from the Kingsclere Pumping Station via the Beacon Hill and Sidown reservoirs.

Kingsclere Pumping Station

This pumping station supplies water to Kingsclere, Hannington, Ashford Hill, Headley, Ecchinswell, Bishops Green, Baughurst, Burghclere, Newtown, Highclere, Woolton Hill, Ball Hill, East Woodhay and Ashmansworth.

There are six reservoirs giving a total storage capacity of 735,000 gallons.

The total number of gallons of water pumped during the year was 143,291,000.

Overton Pumping Station

This pumping station supplies Overton and part of Laverstoke and can also afford a supply through to Whitchurch and St. Mary Bourne in the event of the Whitchurch Pumping Station breaking down.

There is one reservoir giving a storage capacity of 500,000 gallons.

The total number of gallons of water pumped during the year was 77,137,000.

Whitchurch Pumping Station

This pumping station supplies water to Whitchurch, St. Mary Bourne and Hurstbourne Priors and a bulk supply is also afforded to Longparish in the Rural District of Andover.

There are two reservoirs giving a total storage capacity of 215,000 gallons.

The total number of gallons of water pumped during the year was 56,622,000.

The Parish of Tadley is supplied with water from the Thames Valley Water Board and the Mid Wessex Water Company.

The estimated supply from the respective mains to the parish of Tadley was 95,663,440 gallons.

Water Connections

Private Connections (Council's Mains)	3704
Private Connections (Thames Valley & Mid Wessex Mains)	1144
Metered Connections to Farms and Business Premises	522
Total Premises Connected	5370

Number of new connections made to the Council's mains during the year was 119 and to the Thames Valley and Mid Wessex 56.

REFUSE

Refuse Collection and Disposal

The Refuse collection which is carried out once per week throughout the Rural District is a "Kerbside" collection, although in the case of very old people living on their own, and invalids, arrangements are made upon request for the refuse bins to be collected from the back doors.

The Council's fleet of refuse freighters now consist of 5 vehicles, details of which are as follows:-

Purchased	Type
Purchased 1948	2 Shelvoke & Drewry - Chelsea type 11.3 Cub.yd. capacity (Petrol)
Purchased 1956	1 Shelvoke & Drewry - Fore & Aft Tipper 18 Cub.yd. capacity (Diesel)
Purchased 1958	1 Shelvoke & Drewry - Fore & Aft Tipper 18 Cub.yd. capacity (Diesel)
Purchased November, 1960.	1 Shelvoke & Drewry - Fore & Aft Tipper 18 Cub.yd. capacity (Diesel)

One of the Chelsea type side loaders is used as a stand-by vehicle and is also brought into use to cope with holiday periods.

The disposal of refuse is by means of dumping in large pits. This is, of course not the ideal method, the best method being controlled tipping in which the refuse is deposited in layers not exceeding 4' 6" deep, each load being covered as soon as possible after being tipped. This means that land must be obtained, bulldozed out to the required depth and the soil, so removed, used for covering.

There are at present five tips in use, and these are situated at Juniper Down (Stoke, Ecchinswell Road (Kingsclere), Oxford Lane,(Ashford Hill), Hurstbourne Park and the other at Nutley Bottom, Ashe.

The labour force consists of one spare Loader-driver, 4 Loader-drivers, 13 Loaders (12 full-time and 1 part-time), and 3 tip-men. Help has to be given occasionally, by drawing labour from our men at the Depot.

The Rural District is divided into three areas for the purpose of refuse collection.

Daily Works

Total tonnage of refuse collected daily	29 tons - 14 cwts.
Total number of refuse bins emptied daily	1385 bins.
Total number of miles travelled daily	143 miles.

Weekly Work

Total tonnage of refuse collected weekly	148½ tons.
Total number of refuse bins emptied weekly	6926 bins.
Total number of miles travelled weekly	717 miles.

Yearly Work

Total tonnage of refuse collected yearly	7770 tons.
Total number of refuse bins emptied yearly	360,152 bins.
Total number of miles travelled yearly	37,284 miles.

Sewage Disposal

Sewage Works owned by the Council are situated at Kingsclere, Overton, Whitchurch and Silchester (Tadley Sewage Works). There is also a Sewage pumping station at Laverstoke which pumps sewage from Laverstoke to the Overton Sewage pumping station.

There is also a sewage works situated at Bishops Green, Ecchinswell, owned by the Air Ministry. These works take the domestic sewage from Greenham Common Airfield (situated in Berkshire) and the Council by agreement discharges the domestic sewage from some 100 dwellings at Bishops Green into these works.

In the remainder of the district, sewage is dealt with by

(a) Septic tank or cesspool (b) Earth closet, as follows:-

Parish	Earth Closets	Septic Tanks
Ashmansworth	41	39
Baughurst	150	156
Burghclere	175	145
East Woodhay	347	213
Ecchinswell & Sydmonton	130	40
Highclere	89	85
Hurstbourne Priors	113	18
Kingsclere	425	243
Laverstoke	41	5
Litchfield and Woodcott	35	22
Newtown	37	44
Overton	190	120
St. Mary Bourne	141	225
Tadley	334	143
Whitchurch	315	62

Number of premises connected to sewer	-	2,224
Number of new connections during year	-	103
Total number of premises connected	-	2,327

The total number of gallons of sewage pumped during the year is set out hereunder:-

Kingsclere Sewage Works	-	50,109,900 gallons
Tadley Sewage Works	-	118,594,500 gallons
Whitchurch Sewage Works	-	50,790,000 gallons
Overton Sewage Works		60,170,000 gallons
Total	-	279,664,400 gallons

In addition to these major sewage works there are 18 small sewage disposal plants dealing with sewage from the undermentioned Council House Sites:-

		Number of Houses Served
Ashmansworth		6
Ashford Hill	- Holt Cottages	12
	Inhurst	8
Burghclere	- Breachfield	46
Highclere	- Penwood	18
	- Highclere Street	6
Newtown	- Jonathon Hill	14
East Woodhay	- Copnor	12
	- Tile Barn	16
St. Mary Bourne	- Queens Cottages	4
	- Fishers Field	12
	- Stevens Green	17
	- Swampton	5
	- Batsford	6
	- Stoke	4
Headley	- Thornfield	18
Wolverton	- Townsend	6
		220

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949.

Rodent Control Work for the 12 months ending December, 1960.

Number of Properties Inspected	Dwelling Houses	Business Premises	Agricultural Properties
Inspected under the Act	4,505	99	401
Inspected at request of occupiers	159	8	26
Number of Treatments and Re-treatments	533	5	25

Local Authority Properties	
	Frequent Inspections (258) Refuse Tips and sewage disposal works are kept under constant supervision. Treatments and retreatments - 36.

Materials used	cwts	qrs	lbs
Oatmeal	43	3	0
Warfarin	3	1	0

Some of the material was sold to people who wished to carry out their own rat destruction.

Warfarin and oatmeal mixed ready for use	6	2	2
Warfarin(5) Master Mix	1	0	24
Plain Oatmeal	-	2	14

Storage of Petroleum

Licences to store petroleum spirit were issued to 102 applicants situated as follows:-

Ashmansworth	-	3
Baughurst	-	4
Burghclere	-	5
East Woodhay	-	3
Ecchinswell & Sydmonton	-	3
Highclere	-	7
Hurstbourne Priors	-	2
Kingsclere	-	9
Newtown	-	4
Overton	-	13
St. Mary Bourne	-	14
Tadley	-	6
Whitchurch	-	15
Hannington	-	1
Headley	-	5
Wolverton	-	1
Woolton Hill	-	5
Ashford Hill	-	1
Laverstoke	-	1

The total amount of petroleum stores under licence within the district is 154,160 gallons. An increase of 13,500 gallons on the year 1959.

Game Licences

Number of licences issued during the year - 15

Factories

Paper Mills	2	Shoe Repair Shops	4
Soap Works	1	Blacksmith Works	5
Garage and Engineering	29	Agricultural Engineers	2
Silk Mills	1	Dry Cleaners	1
Joinery Works	10	Bakeries	7
Quilters	1	Lime Kilns	2

Number of inspections made - 21.

One factory was found to have unsuitable toilet accommodation. This was remedied by the new owners.

RAINFALL - 1960

Two rain gauges are located in the Rural District and one at Silchester in the Rural District of Basingstoke. They are situated as follows:-

1. The Council Offices, Kingsclere.
2. The Tadley Sewage Works, Inhams Copse, Silchester.
3. The Council Depot, Whitchurch.

1. Rainfall Recorded at The Council Offices, Kingsclere.

Total for the year	-	43.21 inches.
Wettest month - October	-	10.50 inches.
Driest month - April	-	.84 inches.

The heaviest rainfall was on the 22nd June when 1.22 inches was recorded. Rain fell on 291 days.

2. Rainfall Recorded at Tadley Sewage Works, Inhams Copse, Silchester.

Total for the year	-	35.47 inches.
Wettest month - October	-	7.96 inches.
Driest month - April	-	.48 inches.

The heaviest rainfall was on the 9th October when 2.00 inches was recorded. Rain fell on 209 days.

3. Rainfall Recorded at The Depot, Whitchurch.

Total for the year	-	39.30 inches.
Wettest month - October	-	7.89 inches.
Driest month - April	-	.87 inches.

The heaviest rainfall was on the 8th October when 2.12 inches was recorded. Rain fell on 116 days.

APPENDIX 'A'

Tuberculosis

Age Periods	New Cases and Transfers						Deaths					
	Respiratory			Non-Respiratory			Respiratory			Non-Respiratory		
	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total
0 -												
1 -												
5 -		1	1									
15 -	1		1									
25 -	1	2	3									
35 -	2	3	5									
45 -	1		1									
55 -												
65 and upwards	1		1									
Age Unknown	1		1									
Total	7	6	13									

Cases on Tuberculosis Register on 31st December, 1960. (31st December, 1959, in brackets)

	Male		Female		Total	
Respiratory	76	(75)	71	(71)	147	(146)
Non-Respiratory	13	(14)	23	(23)	36	(37)
Total	89	(89)	94	(94)	183	(183)

The total number of cases on the Tuberculosis Register remains the same as last year. There were six cases transferred from other districts during the year - 5 respiratory and 1 non-respiratory, and 7 new cases - 2 respiratory and 5 non-respiratory. 4 cases left the district and 9 cases were notified as "cured" and have accordingly been removed from the Register.

Prevalence of and Control over Infectious and Other Diseases

Final numbers according to sex and age after corrections of cases of infectious and other notifiable diseases notified during the year ended 31st December, 1960:-

Age Periods	Scarlet Fever M	F	Total	Whooping Cough M	F	Total	Measles M	F	Total
Under 1 year									
1 year				1		1	2		2
2 years							4	1	5
3 years	1		1				3	3	6
4 years	1		1				2	4	6
5 - 9 years	1	2	3	2		2	14	7	21
10 - 14 years				1	1	2	1	1	2
15 - 24 years	1		1						
25 and over									
Age Unknown									
Total (All Ages)	4	2	6	4	1	5	26	16	42

Dysentery

2 Male Aged 10-14 years
1 Female Aged 25 and over

Erysipelas

1 Male Aged 15 - 44 years
1 Female Aged 45 - 64 years

Food Poisoning

6 Male Aged 15-44 years
3 Male Aged 45-64 years

Puerperal Pyrexia

1 Female

APPENDIX 'C'

Diphtheria and Whooping Cough Immunisations Completed During the Year 1960

Age at date of final primary injection (as regards Col.2) or of reinforcing injection (as regards Col.3)	Number of Children who completed a full course of primary immunisation	Number of children who received a reinforcing injection
Diphtheria alone		
Under 1 year	-	-
1 - 4 years	1	-
5 - 14 years	1	238
Total	2	238
Diphtheria/Whooping Cough Combined		
Under 1 year	-	-
1 - 4 years	-	-
5 - 14 years	7	22
Total	7	22
Diphtheria/Whooping Cough/Tetanus Combined		
Under 1 year	298	-
1 - 4 years	37	40
5 - 14 years	22	477
Total	357	517
Diphtheria/Tetanus Combined		
Under 1 year	-	-
1 - 4 years	2	3
5 - 14 years	7	21
Total	9	24

Vaccinations (Smallpox)

Number Vaccinated	Under 1	1	2-4	5-14	15 & over	Total
1st January-30th June	85	7	5	3	2	102
1st July-31st December	117	11	4	13	12	157
Number Re-Vaccinated						
1st January-30th June	-	-	-	-	11	11
1st July-31st December	-	-	1	3	25	29
						299

Table of Deaths

APPENDIX 'D'

	Male		Female		Total	
Tuberculosis, respiratory	0	(0)	0	(0)	0	(0)
Tuberculosis, other	0	(0)	0	(0)	0	(0)
Syphilitic disease	1	(0)	0	(0)	1	(0)
Diphtheria	0	(0)	0	(0)	0	(0)
Whooping Cough	0	(0)	0	(0)	0	(0)
Meningococcal infections	0	(0)	0	(0)	0	(0)
Acute poliomyelitis	0	(0)	0	(0)	0	(0)
Measles	0	(0)	0	(0)	0	(0)
Other infective and parasitic diseases	1	(0)	0	(0)	1	(0)
Malignant neoplasm, stomach	3	(4)	2	(2)	5	(6)
Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	2	(8)	1	(1)	3	(9)
Malignant neoplasm, breast	0	(0)	0	(4)	0	(4)
Malignant neoplasm, uterus	0	(0)	5	(3)	5	(3)
Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	10	(10)	16	(6)	26	(16)
Leukaemia, aleukaemia	1	(2)	0	(0)	1	(2)
Diabetes	0	(1)	1	(2)	1	(3)
Vascular lesions of nervous system	10	(14)	11	(16)	21	(30)
Coronary disease, angina	16	(14)	7	(15)	23	(29)
Hypertension with heart disease	3	(5)	1	(1)	4	(6)
Other heart disease	22	(21)	17	(24)	39	(45)
Other circulatory disease	3	(2)	1	(2)	4	(4)
Influenza	1	(1)	0	(2)	1	(3)
Pneumonia	1	(2)	3	(5)	4	(7)
Bronchitis	4	(2)	0	(4)	4	(6)
Other diseases of respiratory system	1	(1)	0	(0)	1	(1)
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	2	(6)	0	(0)	2	(6)
Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	0	(0)	0	(1)	0	(1)
Nephritis and nephrosis	2	(0)	0	(0)	2	(0)
Hyperplasia of prostate	2	(1)	0	(0)	2	(1)
Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	0	(0)	0	(1)	0	(1)
Congenital malformations	1	(4)	1	(1)	2	(5)
Other defined and ill-defined diseases	15	(13)	11	(7)	26	(20)
Motor vehicle accidents	2	(4)	0	(1)	2	(5)
All other accidents	4	(4)	4	(5)	8	(9)
Suicide	3	(1)	1	(0)	4	(1)
Homicide and operations of war	0	(0)	0	(0)	0	(0)
All causes	110	(120)	82	(104)	192	(224)

APPENDIX 'E'

County Health Services

Health Visitors

Mrs. A. Mathis
Miss E. Brady
Miss N. White
Mrs. D. Taylor

District Nurse/Midwives

Bourne Valley - District Nurse/Midwife

Mrs. M. R. Brookes

Kingsclere

Mrs. J. Dann

Burghclere

Miss I. Fulluck

Highclere - District Nurse/Midwife/Health Visitor

Mrs. R. Leonard

Overton

Mrs. A. Marner

Tadley

Miss O. M. Jepps
Mrs. E.M.L. Smith

Whitchurch

Mrs. A. R. Lockey

Child Welfare Centres

Bishops Green	The Hall	2nd Tuesday
Burnham Copse	Police Recreation Hall	Each Wednesday
Kingsclere	The Club	1st & 3rd Tuesdays
Overton	St. Mary's Hall	1st & 3rd Fridays
Tadley	Memorial Hall	2nd & 4th Tuesdays
Whitchurch	Church Hall	2nd Fridays
Woolton Hill	Parish Hall	3rd Wednesdays & 1st Tuesdays
